POWER OF ATTORNEY

On behalf of Cabot Corporation, a Delaware corporation having a place of business at Two Seaport Lane, Suite 1300, Boston, MA 02210, the undersigned appoints all attorneys and agents associated with Customer Number 25231, Marsh, Fischmann & Breyfogle LLP, as attorneys and agents for Cabot Corporation, with full powers of substitution, association and revocation, to prosecute any patent application (including without limitation U.S. national patent applications, reissue applications, reexaminations, and international applications filed pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty) that is assigned to Cabot Corporation, as well as all corresponding foreign applications, and further to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and all foreign and international patent offices connected therewith.

On behalf of Cabot Corporation, the undersigned authorizes any attorney or agent associated with Customer Number 25231 to execute any statement under 37 CFR § 3,73(b) in relation to any application where such attorney or agent has a power of attorney in accordance with the foregoing.

On behalf of Cabot Corporation, the undersigned authorizes all correspondence regarding the above-noted matters to be directed to the correspondence address associated with Customer Number 25231.

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is authorized to act on behalf of Cabot Corporation.

Date: April 26th 2005

Name: MARK HARDON-SMITH
Title: General Manager of Cabot Superior

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